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COMMUNICATION REQUESTING WITHDRAWAL OF
APRIL 6, 1999 NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT

This Communication is submitted in response to the Notification of Abandonment issued April 6, 1999 in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the Notification is transmitted herewith as Exhibit A. Applicants contend that the April 6, 1999 Notification of Abandonment was issued in error and respectfully request that the April 6, 1999 Notification of Abandonment be withdrawn.

The April 6, 1999 Notification of Abandonment was issued for applicants' alleged failure to respond to the May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements. However, applicants never received the May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements and were unaware that a Notification of Missing Requirements had been issued.

A search of the file jacket maintained by applicants' attorney did not find a May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements. A search of the docket records maintained by applicants' attorney also shows no record of receipt of the May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements. A copy of the docket record where the non-received Notification of Missing Requirements would have been entered had it been received is transmitted herewith as Exhibit B. If the May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements had been received, an entry for it would appear in the "ACTION"

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section, and assuming the Notification of Missing Requirements provided thirty (30) days for response, the "DUE DATE" section would read "01JE1998".

In view of the foregoing, applicants maintain the May 1, 1998 Notification of Missing Requirements was not received in connection with the subject application. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the April 6, 1999 Notification of Abandonment be withdrawn and a new Notification of Missing Requirements be issued.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone the number provided below.

Applicants maintain that no fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication due to the fact that the Notification of Abandonment was issued erroneously by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. However, if necessary, applicants authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to treat this Communication as a Petition and to charge any fee required to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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1. Applicant's letter of express abandonment received _____ is in compliance with CFR 1.138 and is hereby acknowledged.
2. Applicant has failed to provide the full U.S. Basic National Fee by 20 months (37 CFR 1.494(b)(2)),
 30 months (37 CFR 1.495(b)(2)).
3. Applicant has failed to respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), mailed 01 MAY - 1998 within the time period set therein.
4. Applicant has failed to properly respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), mailed _____ within the time period set therein. See the attached NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE (Form PCT/DO/EO/916).
5. Other.

Therefore, the above identified application failed to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C 371 and 37 CFR 1.494,
 1.495 and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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